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Re: Serial No.: 10/517,868
Applicant(s): Daniel DECROUPET et al.
Filing Date: December 16, 2004
For: METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF A GLAZED PIECE PROVIDED
WITH A MULTI-LAYER COATING
Group Art Unit: 1774
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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT
LIST OF RELATED CASES
PTO FORM 1449
CITED DOCUMENTS (9)

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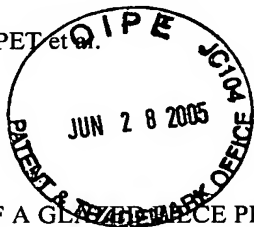
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Applicant(s) wish(es) to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- Applicant(s) wish(es) to make of record the documents listed on the attached International Search Report and Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available full or partial English translations of any non-English-language documents.

RELATED CASES

- Attached is a list of Applicant's(s') pending applications and issued patents which may be related to the present application. Copies of the documents, where required, are attached along with Form PTO-1449.

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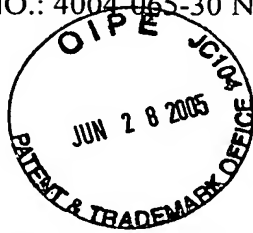
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LIST OF RELATED CASES

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4004-007-30 DIV	09/493,009	January 28, 2000	ABANDONED
4004-013-30 NATL	09/719,141	February 12, 2001	PENDING
4004-014-30 NATL	09/572,454	May 17, 2000	ABANDONED
4004-036-30 NATL	6,797,389	September 24, 2004	PATENTED
4004-054-30 CONT	10/759,434	January 20, 2004	PENDING
4004-058-30 CONT	10/851,209	May 24, 2004	PENDING
4004-065-30 NATL*	10/517,868	December 16, 2004	PENDING
4004-066-30 NATL	10/520,413	January 6, 2005	PENDING

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*Present application; listed for information.

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	AK	EP 233003	08/19/87	EUROPE	X		
	AL	WO 03/106363	12/24/03	WIPO			X**
	AM	WO 01/27050	04/19/01	WIPO	X		
	AN	WO 99/25661	05/27/99	WIPO	X		
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OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							
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